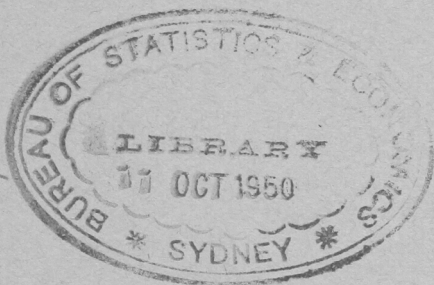


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	Males	Females	Persons		Building Work Approved	New Dwellings in Houses and Flats Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	£ thousand	Number
Year : 1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1944-45	536.0	247.9	783.9	4,721	n.a.	n.a.
1945-46	618.5	242.3	860.8	4,980	n.a.	5,500†
1946-47	671.8	252.1	923.9	5,851	48,925‡	12,344‡
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,970	53,440	15,415
1948-49	705.5	263.8	969.3	8,105	66,146	18,758
1949-50	741.1	278.4	1,019.5	n.y.a.	83,981	19,841
1949 : July	636.6	244.0	880.6	7,982	5,245	4,941
Aug.	701.2	266.0	967.2		6,349	
Sept.	715.9	270.0	985.9		7,145	
Oct.	720.2	273.2	993.4		7,500	
Nov.	725.2	275.8	1,001.0	9,394	7,233	5,590
Dec.	726.9	278.3	1,005.2		5,494	
1950 : Jan.	729.6	273.2	1,002.8		5,760	
Feb.	735.1	276.1	1,011.2		7,300	
Mar.	736.7	278.7	1,015.4	8,864	8,181	4,355
April	737.0	277.5	1,014.5		5,586	
May	740.7	279.6	1,020.3		10,085	
June	740.8r	278.5r	1,019.3r		8,103	
July	740.4	279.0	1,019.4	n.y.a.	8,785	

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		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year : 1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1944-45	22,622§	112.8	60.8	225.2	83.4	198.2
1945-46	23,276§	86.1	76.4	237.2	90.6	236.2
1946-47	32,910	93.0	116.5	244.3	116.5	231.4
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1949 : July	142	15.9	15.2	293.4	153.7	246.1
Aug.	3,131	14.6	12.1	294.6	150.4	246.0
Sept.	9,781	16.1	11.7	297.1	151.1	246.1
Oct.	11,878	16.2	16.5	306.0	154.9	247.9
Nov.	12,761	14.9	18.2	322.3	156.2	248.4
Dec.	12,935	16.1	17.1	346.9	154.3	249.0
1950 : Jan.	10,812	20.2	19.2	359.1	151.6	250.6
Feb.	13,195	15.6	21.5	375.8	150.3	251.8
Mar.	14,325	23.1	27.2	389.7	151.6	252.6
April	532	15.7	16.2	393.0	156.6	253.5
May	9,161	25.8	27.4	388.9	155.9	253.7
June	9,061	19.8	14.3	394.0	166.2	258.9
July	561	21.1	15.9	389.0	170.3	260.0

* See notes to relevant table.

† Houses only.

‡ Partly estimated.

§ Includes equalisation payments.

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Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons					
186.7	14,679	28,335	11,196**	1,948	1,168¶	1938-39: Year
254.1	17,793	2,785	11,096	2,877	1,346¶	1944-45
267.4	15,872	3,814	10,030	2,832	1,054¶	1945-46
261.6	16,539	13,608	11,212	3,229	1,312¶	1946-47
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343¶	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,756	1,246	1949-50
15.8	267	2,943	5	180	...	July: 1949
20.2	918	3,284	815	262	46	Aug.
20.6	1,552	4,344	1,236	323	134	Sept.
23.4	1,556	4,071	1,148	317	129	Oct.
21.8	1,695	5,744	1,285	324	128	Nov.
22.0	1,393	5,388	820	313	132	Dec.
23.1	1,379	3,877	771	306	116	Jan.: 1950
21.1	1,411	4,846	982	310	113	Feb.
21.4	1,543	6,521	1,095	349	110	Mar.
23.5	1,277	5,020	910	321	104	April
24.1	1,601	8,270	1,246	371	112	May
21.2	1,298	7,358	977	380	122	June
22.8	1,371	6,672	1,042	385	104	July

42.	44.	45.	51.	53.	54.	Table No.
Bank Clearings, Sydney	Sydney Stock Exchange	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : " C " Series All Items (Sydney) Index *	Basic Wage, Sydney	Period
Index *	Share Values				Adult Males *	
Average 1926-30 = 100	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 1000	Average 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	
99	175.6	35,272	1011	928	81||	1938-39: Year
157	192.2	23,350	1405	1142	99||	1944-45
171	210.2	35,660	1412	1151	99||	1945-46
214	240.0	57,899	1429	1182	108||	1946-47
248	262.6	60,202	1588	1259	114||	1947-48
298	258.2	62,229	1809	1378	124||	1948-49
356	270.0	125,952	2032	1504	135||	1949-50
326	239.7	7,022	1911	1452	127	July: 1949
314	247.8	6,711	1913		130	Aug.
303	252.1	8,097	1909		130	Sept.
302	257.3	7,197	1938		130	Oct.
328	262.4	11,210	1988	1486	132	Nov.
350	265.9	9,607	2043		132	Dec.
352	272.0	9,346	2076		132	Jan.: 1950
351	277.5	10,314	2110		135	Feb.
367	285.4	12,896	2110	1515	135	Mar.
391	292.6	11,211	2127		135	April
402	293.4	17,212	2122		138	May
402	293.6	15,129	2136		138	June
402	289.1	15,240	2147		138	July

¶ Year ended 31st May.

|| Operative from February.

** Year ended 31st December, 1939.

2. Population, Births, Deaths, Marriages and Migration, New South Wales

Period	Population at end of Period			Live Births	Deaths	Net Immigration	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons				
	Number						
Year : 1939	1,393,358	1,373,057	2,766,415	48,003	26,815	8,044*	25,471
1947	1,504,350	1,503,232	3,007,582	69,398	28,449	4,277*	30,172
1948	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	67,234	30,403	17,931	30,164
1949	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	68,812	29,364	74,143	28,757
1948 : Mar. Qr.	1,510,900	1,508,052	3,018,952	16,644	6,463	1,189	7,549
June Qr.	1,513,563	1,511,755	3,025,318	17,021	8,169	(-) 2,486	7,858
Sept. Qr.	1,520,961	1,518,664	3,039,625	17,035	9,003	6,275	6,678
Dec. Qr.	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	16,534	6,768	12,953	8,079
1949 : Mar. Qr.	1,545,909	1,540,471	3,086,380	16,397	6,392	14,031	7,484
June Qr.	1,561,592	1,552,067	3,113,659	16,974	7,476	17,781	7,404
Sept. Qr.	1,574,988	1,564,163	3,139,151	18,267	8,542	15,767	6,121
Dec. Qr.	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	17,174	6,954	26,564	7,748
1950 : Mar. Qr.	1,610,106	1,593,872	3,203,978	17,888	6,661	16,816	7,940

* Includes intercensal adjustment. (-) Denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

Population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) was 1,274,930 at 31st December, 1939, and 1,549,590 at 31st December, 1949.

EMPLOYMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES

(1) The following estimates are based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities. (2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month. (3) Workers in rural industry, female domestics in private households, and persons on the paid strength of the defence forces are excluded.

3. Wage and Salary Earners in Employment

(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestics in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
	Thousands								
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943 : July	156.9	46.1	203.0	365.2	207.7	572.9	522.1	253.8	775.9
1945 : Aug.	155.6	42.8	198.4	386.4	205.3	591.7	542.0	248.1	790.1
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : Feb.	191.5	35.0	226.5	524.8	233.0	757.8	716.3	268.0	984.3
Mar.	191.4	35.2	226.6	526.1	233.9	760.0	717.5	269.1	986.6
April	191.8	35.2	227.0	526.1	233.8	759.9	717.9	269.0	986.9
May	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
June†	195.4	36.0	231.4	510.1	227.8	737.9	705.5	263.8	969.3
July†	194.6	36.5	231.1	442.0	207.5	649.5	636.6	244.0	880.6
1950 : Feb.	200.5	38.5	239.0	534.6	237.6	772.2	735.1	276.1	1,011.2
Mar.	201.8	38.7	240.5	534.9	240.0	774.9	736.7	278.7	1,015.4
April	202.5	38.5	241.0	534.5	239.0	773.5	737.0	277.5	1,014.5
May	203.2	38.9	242.1	537.5	240.7	778.2	740.7	279.6	1,020.3
June	202.7	39.1r	241.8r	538.1r	239.4	777.5r	740.8r	278.5r	1,019.3r
July	203.5	39.3	242.8	536.9	239.7	776.6	740.4	279.0	1,019.4

* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities. † Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions. See note (2) above.

4. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups* (Excluding Rural Workers, Domestic in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Construction	Transport and Communication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡
Thousands								
MALES								
1939 : July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	44.0	56.6
1943 : July	25.1	217.8	30.1	79.9	10.5	22.9	28.7	39.6
1945 : Aug.	24.9	216.9	32.3	86.7	11.4	24.9	30.5	46.5
1946 : June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1
1947 : June	26.6	252.1	55.7	102.8	18.8	37.6	46.4	62.4
1948 : June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7
1949 : Feb.	27.6	269.9	62.7	109.5	20.0	41.9	50.0	66.0
Mar.	27.5	270.2	63.2	110.0	20.2	41.5	49.9	66.3
April	27.3	268.6	64.4	109.5	20.3	42.2	50.0	66.9
May	27.5	269.5	64.7	111.0	20.4	42.7	50.2	66.5
June§	24.4	257.4	64.5	110.9	20.4	42.1	50.1	66.1
July§	11.7	210.1	62.1	109.1	20.4	40.6	49.2	64.5
1950 : Feb.	28.5	273.8	65.9	112.3	20.8	45.2	50.3	67.8
Mar.	28.4	274.6	66.7	112.9	21.1	44.2	50.3	68.1
April	28.2	274.2	67.0	114.0	21.1	44.5	50.4	67.4
May	28.2	276.1	68.0	114.0	21.1	44.9	50.4	67.8
June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2	45.2	50.3 _r	67.2 _r
July	28.3	276.8	68.1	114.7	21.2	44.8	50.5	66.7
FEMALES								
1939 : July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	36.0	49.1
1943 : July	0.2	94.6	0.7	12.9	9.9	10.7	38.5	65.9
1945 : Aug.	0.2	86.0	0.7	14.6	10.6	10.8	37.8	70.3
1946 : June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3
1947 : June	0.2	86.5	1.0	12.8	10.4	11.9	40.7	77.1
1948 : June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6
1949 : Feb.	0.3	92.2	1.1	14.3	11.4	13.5	43.8	81.3
Mar.	0.3	92.8	1.1	14.3	11.6	13.5	43.7	81.7
April	0.3	93.0	1.1	14.3	11.6	13.6	43.3	81.7
May	0.3	93.5	1.1	14.6	11.6	13.5	43.4	81.8
June§	0.3	88.7	1.2	14.7	11.7	13.4	42.7	80.9
July§	0.3	74.0	1.2	14.6	11.7	13.1	40.4	78.1
1950 : Feb.	0.3	96.4	1.3	15.0	12.5	14.4	42.2	83.4
Mar.	0.3	97.0	1.2	15.2	12.6	14.5	43.4	83.8
April	0.3	96.7	1.3	15.2	12.4	14.3	43.4	83.3
May	0.3	97.6	1.3	15.3	12.7	14.2	44.0	83.6
June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6	14.3	43.7 _r	83.1
July	0.3	97.1	1.3	15.3	12.7	14.4	43.7	83.2
PERSONS								
1939 : July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	80.0	105.7
1943 : July	25.3	312.4	30.8	92.8	20.4	33.6	67.2	105.5
1945 : Aug.	25.1	302.9	33.0	101.3	22.0	35.7	68.3	116.8
1946 : June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4
1947 : June	26.8	338.6	56.7	115.6	29.2	49.5	87.1	139.5
1948 : June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3
1949 : Feb.	27.9	362.1	63.8	123.8	31.4	55.4	93.3	147.3
Mar.	27.8	363.0	64.3	124.3	31.8	55.0	93.6	148.0
April	27.6	361.6	65.5	123.8	31.9	55.8	93.3	148.6
May	27.8	363.0	65.8	125.6	32.0	56.2	93.6	148.3
June§	24.7	346.1	65.7	125.6	32.1	55.5	92.8	147.0
July§	12.0	284.1	63.3	123.7	32.1	53.7	89.6	142.6
1950 : Feb.	28.8	370.2	67.2	127.3	33.3	59.6	92.5	151.2
Mar.	28.7	371.6	67.9	128.1	33.7	58.7	93.7	151.9
April	28.5	370.9	68.3	129.2	33.5	58.8	93.8	150.7
May	28.5	373.7	69.3	129.3	33.8	59.1	94.4	151.4
June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8	59.5	94.0	150.3 _r
July	28.6	373.9	69.4	130.0	33.9	59.2	94.2	149.9

* See notes preceding Table 3. Miscellaneous groups (69,300 males 11,000 females 80,300 persons in July, 1950) are omitted from this table.

† From July 1949, subject to revision.

‡ Includes Education,

Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services.

§ Affected by an industrial

dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

5. Employees in N.S.W. Factories : By Classes of Industry*

(Excludes working proprietors)

Classes	I, II Bricks, Cement, Glass, etc.	III Chemicals, Oils, Paints, etc.	IV Metals, Machines, Vehicles, etc.	VI Textiles and Knitted Goods	VIII Clothing and Foot- wear	IX Food, Drink, Tobacco	X, XI Sawmills, Wood- working, Furniture, etc.	XII Paper, Print- ing, etc.	V, VII, XIII—XVI Other	I—XVI All Factor- ies
Month	Thousands									
MALES										
1939 : June	11.8	5.2	75.9	5.6	6.9	17.5	13.4	11.3	12.1	159.7
1945 : June	9.1	8.3	124.2	6.8	7.3	20.4	14.3	9.9	14.5	214.8
1947 : June	14.2	9.7	131.5	9.8	10.9	23.2	18.5	14.3	20.0	252.1
1948 : June	14.8	10.7	137.4	10.1	11.2	24.4	20.7	14.6	21.3	265.2
1949 : April	16.1	11.4	136.1	9.9	11.6	25.8	20.8	15.4	21.5	268.6
May	16.1	11.6	136.9	9.9	11.6	25.7	20.7	15.2	21.8	269.5
June†	14.7	11.3	130.6	9.3	11.1	24.8	19.9	14.9	20.8	257.4
July†	11.1	9.5	102.0	6.0	9.4	22.5	17.0	14.5	18.1	210.1
1950 : April	16.5	11.6	140.9	9.7	11.5	25.7	21.0	15.3	22.0	274.2
May	16.7	11.7	142.3	9.7	11.5	25.7	21.0	15.4	22.1	276.1
June	16.8	11.6	143.5	9.6	11.4	25.6	21.0	15.5	22.2	277.2
July	16.9	11.6	143.6	9.7	11.5	25.3	20.6	15.6	22.0	276.8
FEMALES										
1939 : June	0.4	2.7	4.9	9.2	22.8	9.4	1.6	5.3	3.6	59.9
1945 : June	0.8	4.0	21.2	11.5	25.9	11.2	1.6	5.7	5.0	86.9
1947 : June	0.7	4.4	13.6	11.4	31.9	10.6	1.9	6.1	5.9	86.5
1948 : June	0.8	4.4	14.5	11.7	33.6	10.7	2.0	6.1	6.4	90.2
1949 : April	0.9	4.4	15.2	11.9	34.3	11.4	2.2	6.2	6.5	93.0
May	0.9	4.4	15.5	12.0	34.3	11.4	2.2	6.3	6.5	93.5
June†	0.9	4.3	14.6	11.1	32.6	10.7	2.2	6.0	6.3	88.7
July†	0.7	3.9	12.0	7.4	27.9	9.3	1.8	5.7	5.3	74.0
1950 : April	1.1	4.6	17.6	12.7	33.5	11.6	2.3	6.4	6.9	96.7
May	1.1	4.6	17.9	12.9	33.6	11.6	2.4	6.6	6.9	97.6
June	1.1	4.7	18.0	12.9	33.3	11.3	2.4	6.6	6.9	97.2
July	1.1	4.6	18.1	12.8	33.2	11.2	2.5	6.7	6.9	97.1
PERSONS										
1939 : June	12.2	7.9	80.8	14.8	29.7	26.9	15.0	16.6	15.7	219.6
1945 : June	9.9	12.3	145.4	18.3	33.2	31.6	15.9	15.6	19.5	301.7
1947 : June	14.9	14.1	145.1	21.2	42.8	33.8	20.4	20.4	25.9	338.6
1948 : June	15.6	15.1	151.9	21.8	44.8	35.1	22.7	20.7	27.7	355.4
1949 : April	17.0	15.8	151.3	21.8	45.9	37.2	23.0	21.6	28.0	361.6
May	17.0	16.0	152.4	21.9	45.9	37.1	22.9	21.5	28.3	363.0
June†	15.6	15.6	145.2	20.4	43.7	35.5	22.1	20.9	27.1	346.1
July†	11.8	13.4	114.0	13.4	37.3	31.8	18.8	20.2	23.4	284.1
1950 : April	17.6	16.2	158.5	22.4	45.0	37.3	23.3	21.7	28.9	370.9
May	17.8	16.3	160.2	22.6	45.1	37.3	23.4	22.0	29.0	373.7
June	17.9	16.3	161.5	22.5	44.7	36.9	23.4	22.1	29.1	374.4
July	18.0	16.2	161.7	22.5	44.7	36.5	23.1	22.3	28.9	373.9

* See notes preceding Table 3; figures from July, 1949, subject to revision.

† Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

6. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.*

Year	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit.†			
	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.
	£ thousand				£			
1944-45	4,642	4,819	4,589	4,835	6.67	6.89	6.54	6.86
1945-46	4,809	4,910	4,817	5,384	6.73	6.90	6.35	6.76
1946-47	5,495	5,949	5,713	6,246	6.69	7.09	6.72	7.23
1947-48	6,480	7,229	6,753	7,419	7.40	8.15	7.58	8.25
1948-49	7,759	8,436	7,730	8,493	8.58	9.24	8.41	9.24
1949-50	7,982	9,394	8,864	n.y.a.	9.01	10.06	9.40	n.y.a.

* Includes Australian Capital Territory.

† Total wages paid divided by total employment expressed in male units (i.e., total male employment plus 45 per cent. of total female employment).

7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales*

Period	Unemployment Beneficiaries on last Saturday in Period	Benefits Paid during Period			
		Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
	Number	Amount—£			
Year : 1945-46	1,298	275,205	198,943	1,068	475,216
1946-47	1,400	172,141	258,782	6,772	437,695
1947-48	339	60,499	302,987	14,434	377,920
1948-49	283	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50	n.y.a.	1,064,968	307,316	176,698	1,548,982
1949 : July†	92,086	476,002	25,155	12,360	513,517
August†	3,809	506,887	23,510	16,170	546,567
September†	728	74,196	28,229	19,487	121,912
October	442	1,556	23,582	16,415	41,553
November	406	872	26,310	14,132	41,314
December	431	865	22,117	6,200	29,182
1950 : January	407	1,019	28,808	22,400	52,227
February	387p	529	22,836	18,923	42,288
March	380p	327	28,951	14,405	43,683
April	406p	828	22,802	10,312	33,942
May	n.y.a.	709	22,170	13,337	36,216
June	n.y.a.	1,178	32,846	12,557	46,581
July	n.y.a.	1,021	17,474	5,602	24,097
August	n.y.a.	3,244	33,534	5,251	42,029

* Including Australian Capital Territory. † Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.
‡ Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare

Monthly particulars are approximate.

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number	Thousands					
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1945	1,158	222	102	324	653	1,226	1,879
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950 : January	67	10	3	13	16	16	32
February	174	28	7	35	40	23	62
March	202	29	3	32	50	10	60
April	67	10	1	11	14	2	16
May	165	20	8	28	30	11	41
June	96	16	8	24	35	5	40
	92	9	7	16	16	15	31

9. Broadcast Listeners' Licenses in Force in N.S.W.

At end of Month	1939	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
February	427,211	570,952	606,880	702,658	717,648	730,663
March	427,964	573,205	616,116	702,890	721,625	733,391
April	428,848	576,218	618,385	710,944	714,659	735,237
May	431,149	575,144	663,518	693,550	709,694	740,812
June	433,029	575,864	679,505	699,259	706,452	748,268
July	433,972	580,747	686,633	703,745	704,434	754,836
September	432,795	585,985	698,312	704,106	724,031	
December	441,934	598,643	703,577	710,542	727,918	

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Note.—1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.

3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.

4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

10. Value of Building* Approved : Geographical Distribution

Period	Division of Cumberland			Balance of State	Total, N.S.W.
	Metropolis	Balance	Total		
	£ thousand				
PRIVATE BUILDING					
Year : 1946	18,070	6,831	24,901	11,123†	36,024†
1947	20,252	7,944	28,196	13,621	41,817
1948	22,595	10,745	33,340	16,103	49,443
1949	26,869	12,273	39,142	19,781	58,923
1949 : Jan.-July	14,628	6,316	20,944	10,815	31,759
1950 : Jan.-July	20,716	9,747	30,463	14,581	45,044
1949 : April	2,146	921	3,067	1,416	4,483
May	2,464	1,031	3,495	1,713	5,208
June	2,011	1,080	3,091	1,840	4,931
July	1,583	727	2,310	1,325	3,635
1950 : April	2,097	1,279	3,376	1,678	5,054
May	3,916	1,538	5,454	2,485	7,939
June	3,482	1,226	4,708	2,267	6,975
July	3,042	1,793	4,835	2,302	7,137
GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	3,794	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6,445
1947	4,299	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7,322
1948	6,244	1,446	7,690	3,653	11,343
1949	7,550	1,574	9,124	5,120	14,244
1949 : Jan.-July	4,443	885	5,328	2,359	7,687
1950 : Jan.-July	4,379	703	5,082	3,674	8,756
1949 : April	908	127	1,035	262	1,297
May	445	169	614	511	1,125
June	331	36	367	187	554
July	1,076	197	1,273	337	1,610
1950 : April	359	58	417	115	532
May	995	106	1,101	1,045	2,146
June	753	52	805	323	1,128
July	823	55	878	770	1,648
PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	21,864	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	42,469†
1947	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1949 : Jan.-July	19,071	7,201	26,272	13,174	39,446
1950 : Jan.-July	25,095	10,450	35,545	18,255	53,800
1949 : April	3,054	1,048	4,102	1,678	5,780
May	2,909	1,200	4,109	2,224	6,333
June	2,342	1,116	3,458	2,027	5,485
July	2,659	924	3,583	1,662	5,245
1950 : April	2,456	1,337	3,793	1,793	5,586
May	4,911	1,644	6,555	3,530	10,085
June	4,235	1,278	5,513	2,590	8,103
July	3,865	1,848	5,713	3,072	8,785

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

† Partly Estimated.

II. Value of Private and Governmental Building* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
	£ thousand						
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND (Including Metropolis)							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1949 : Jan.-July	19,556	1,157	13	336	2,717	2,493	26,272
1950 : Jan.-July	26,114	2,247	37	654	3,690	2,803	35,545
1949 : May	3,148	165	2	49	362	383	4,109
June	2,876	59	2	63	259	199	3,458
July	2,255	58	1	47	848	374	3,583
1950 : May	4,431	600	8	82	569	865	6,555
June	3,754	375	8	113	693	570	5,513
July	3,777	237	16	149	1,276	258	5,713

NEW SOUTH WALES

Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1949 : Jan.-July	29,848	1,387	64	560	3,198	4,389	39,446
1950 : Jan.-July	39,408	2,705	172	1,128	4,820	5,567	53,800
1949 : May	4,739	212	25	105	417	835	6,333
June	4,610	86	6	95	295	393	5,485
July	3,628	101	7	66	873	570	5,245
1950 : May	6,909	653	9	184	643	1,687	10,085
June	5,832	461	10	220	732	848	8,103
July	5,650	323	90	226	1,902	594	8,785

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

12. New House and Flat Building: Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Government				Private and Government			
	Approved *	Com-menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom-pleted †	Approved ‡	Com-menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom-pleted †
HOUSES								
Year: 1947	3,166	3,418	2,462	3,990	27,850	18,873	13,191	17,386
1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276
1948 : Dec. Qr.	1,122	930	1,145	4,579	7,838	5,202	5,139	21,200
1949 : Mar. Qr.	998	782	728	4,633	7,777	4,818	3,769	22,249
June Qr.	990	874	971	4,536	8,342	5,461	4,597	23,113
Sept. Qr.	714	918	953	4,501	7,584	5,198	4,657	23,654
Dec. Qr.	822	845	857	4,489	8,180	5,875	5,253	24,276
1950 : Mar. Qr.	1,048	1,051	777	4,763	8,691	5,933	4,123	26,086
June Qr.	830	951	827	4,887	8,563	5,049 _r	4,733	26,402 _r

FLATS

Year : 1947	350	160	9	204	1,399	712	365	703
1948	729	427	187	444	1,798	1,331	789	1,245
1949	639	630	285	789	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586
1948 : Dec. Qr.	445	68	114	444	632	191	284	1,245
1949 : Mar. Qr.	109	132	24	552	310	322	181	1,386
June Qr.	187	224	24	752	436	380	217	1,549
Sept. Qr.	70	214	110	856	343	373	284	1,638
Dec. Qr.	273	60	127	789	589	285	337	1,586
1950 : Mar. Qr.	178	105	69	825	546	293	232	1,647
June Qr.	94	326	64	1,087	533	536	222	1,961

* Contracts let and day labour projects authorised. † At end of period. ‡ Local Government permits to build plus contracts let and day labour projects authorised by Governmental Authorities.

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Year : 1946	18,070	6,831	24,901	11,123†	36,024†
1947	20,252	7,944	28,196	13,621	41,817
1948	22,595	10,745	33,340	16,103	49,443
1949	26,869	12,273	39,142	19,781	58,923
1949 : Jan.-July	14,628	6,316	20,944	10,815	31,759
1950 : Jan.-July	20,716	9,747	30,463	14,581	45,044
1949 : April	2,146	921	3,067	1,416	4,483
May	2,464	1,031	3,495	1,713	5,208
June	2,011	1,080	3,091	1,840	4,931
July	1,583	727	2,310	1,325	3,635
1950 : April	2,097	1,279	3,376	1,678	5,054
May	3,916	1,538	5,454	2,485	7,939
June	3,482	1,226	4,708	2,267	6,975
July	3,042	1,793	4,835	2,302	7,137
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1949	7,550	1,574	9,124	5,120	14,244
1949 : Jan.-July	4,443	885	5,328	2,359	7,687
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1948	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1949 : Jan.-July	19,071	7,201	26,272	13,174	39,446
1950 : Jan.-July	25,095	10,450	35,545	18,255	53,800
1949 : April	3,054	1,048	4,102	1,678	5,780
May	2,909	1,200	4,109	2,224	6,333
June	2,342	1,116	3,458	2,027	5,485
July	2,659	924	3,583	1,662	5,245
1950 : April	2,456	1,337	3,793	1,793	5,586
May	4,911	1,644	6,555	3,530	10,085
June	4,235	1,278	5,513	2,590	8,103
July	3,865	1,848	5,713	3,072	8,785

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

† Partly Estimated.

II. Value of Private and Governmental Building* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
	£ thousand						
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND (Including Metropolis)							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1949 : Jan.-July	19,556	1,157	13	336	2,717	2,493	26,272
1950 : Jan.-July	26,114	2,247	37	654	3,690	2,803	35,545
1949 : May	3,148	165	2	49	362	383	4,109
June	2,876	59	2	63	259	199	3,458
July	2,255	58	1	47	848	374	3,583
1950 : May	4,431	600	8	82	569	865	6,555
June	3,754	375	8	113	693	570	5,513
July	3,777	237	16	149	1,276	258	5,713

NEW SOUTH WALES							
Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1949 : Jan.-July	29,848	1,387	64	560	3,198	4,389	39,446
1950 : Jan.-July	39,408	2,705	172	1,128	4,820	5,567	53,800
1949 : May	4,739	212	25	105	417	835	6,333
June	4,610	86	6	95	295	393	5,485
July	3,628	101	7	66	873	570	5,245
1950 : May	6,909	653	9	184	643	1,687	10,085
June	5,832	461	10	220	732	848	8,103
July	5,650	323	90	226	1,902	594	8,785

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

12. New House and Flat Building: Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Government				Private and Government			
	Approved *	Com- menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom- pleted †	Approved ‡	Com- menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom- pleted †
HOUSES								
Year: 1947	3,166	3,418	2,462	3,990	27,850	18,873	13,191	17,386
1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276
1948 : Dec. Qr.	1,122	930	1,145	4,579	7,838	5,202	5,139	21,200
1949 : Mar. Qr.	998	782	728	4,633	7,777	4,818	3,769	22,249
June Qr.	990	874	971	4,536	8,342	5,461	4,597	23,113
Sept. Qr.	714	918	953	4,501	7,584	5,198	4,657	23,654
Dec. Qr.	822	845	857	4,489	8,180	5,875	5,253	24,276
1950 : Mar. Qr.	1,048	1,051	777	4,763	8,691	5,933	4,123	26,086
June Qr.	830	951	827	4,887	8,563	5,049 _r	4,733	26,402 _r

FLATS								
Year : 1947	350	160	9	204	1,399	712	365	703
1948	729	427	187	444	1,798	1,331	789	1,245
1949	639	630	285	789	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586
1948 : Dec. Qr.	445	68	114	444	632	191	284	1,245
1949 : Mar. Qr.	109	132	24	552	310	322	181	1,386
June Qr.	187	224	24	752	436	380	217	1,549
Sept. Qr.	70	214	110	856	343	373	284	1,638
Dec. Qr.	273	60	127	789	589	285	337	1,586
1950 : Mar. Qr.	178	105	69	825	546	293	232	1,647
June Qr.	94	326	64	1,087	533	536	222	1,961

* Contracts let and day labour projects authorised. † At end of period. ‡ Local Government permits to build plus contracts let and day labour projects authorised by Governmental Authorities.

13. New South Wales Government Railways : Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Gross Revenue*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons	£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1945-46	267,423	15,872	31,313	24,933	6,380
1946-47	261,644	16,539	30,353	25,886	4,467
1947-48	263,047	17,407	36,906	31,015	5,891
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
1949: Mar.	21,910	1,514	3,446	3,031	415
April	22,691	1,333	3,357	2,990	367
May	23,811	1,510	3,495	3,192	303
June	20,446	1,074	3,204	3,822§	(—) 618
July	15,841	267	1,271‡	2,526	(—) 1,255
1950: Mar.	21,431	1,543	3,789	3,408	381
April	23,523	1,277	3,342	3,183	159
May	24,131	1,601	3,932	3,645	287
June	21,168	1,298	3,799	4,499§	(—) 700
July	22,767	1,371	3,196	3,502	(—) 306

* Excludes Government contribution, £800,000 annually, for developmental lines. † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included.

‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

§ Includes amounts not applicable to a particular month.

Railway passenger fares and freight charges were increased from 13th August, 1947.

14. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses : Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
	£ thousand				
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1945-46	4,370	1,566	5,936	5,826	110
1946-47	4,360	1,746	6,106	6,228	(—) 122
1947-48	5,310	2,544	7,854	7,895	(—) 41
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(—) 439
1949: Mar.	467	338	805	719	86
April	470	338	808	789	19
May	449	337	786	805	(—) 19
June	378	313	691	736	(—) 45
1950: Mar.	428	371	799	826	(—) 27
April	427	386	813	817	(—) 4
May	394	375	769	819	(—) 50
June	352	366	718	791	(—) 73

* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£563,442 in year 1949-50).

† Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Fares on Government trams and buses were increased from 1st July, 1947 and 29th November, 1948.

15. Port of Sydney : Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)								
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1945-46	2,661	2,034	1,157	414	1,580	152	5,398	2,600
1947-48	2,431	1,719	1,045	512	1,839	141	5,315	2,372
1948-49	2,683	2,162	1,009	535	1,658	115	5,350	2,812
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1949: June Qr.	714	563	271	140	433	30	1,418	733
Sept. Qr.	745	453	216	138	282	31	1,243	622
Dec. Qr.	709	497	210	134	492	32	1,411	663
1950: Mar. Qr.	836	501	233	140	376	26	1,445	667
June Qr.	847	483	246	161	466	41	1,559	685

16. Motor Vehicles on the Register* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1948 : June	210,506	2,594	3,545	127,413	344,058	30,076	18,317	4,959	397,410
1949 : Apr.	228,456	2,874	3,569	138,313	373,212	35,583	21,209	6,137	436,141
May	231,015	2,922	3,569	139,314	376,820	36,023	21,362	6,272	440,477
June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
July	234,352	2,956	3,562	141,180	382,050	36,661	21,684	6,446	446,841
1950 : Apr.	259,436	3,195	3,657	155,048	421,336	41,594	24,368	7,418	494,716
May	264,753	3,220	3,676	157,211	428,860	42,130	24,661	7,564	503,215
June	269,250	3,254	3,735	159,226	435,465	42,461	24,840	7,738	510,504
July	273,286	3,284	3,763	160,964	441,297	42,683	24,985	7,864	516,829

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

17. New Motor Vehicles Registered* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1945-46	526	...	54	3,234	3,814	681	1,931	6,426
1946-47	7,998	7	116	5,487	13,608	2,850	3,204	19,662
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1949 : April	2,222	9	14	1,006	3,251	681	300	4,232
May	2,950	10	24	1,126	4,110	644	292	5,046
June	2,336	14	22	1,115	3,487	508	248	4,243
July	1,911	10	9	1,013	2,943	532	244	3,719
1950 : April	3,348	12	12	1,648	5,020	690	292	6,002
May	5,763	12	22	2,473	8,270	884	478	9,632
June	5,020	19	21	2,298	7,358	600	367	8,325
July	4,541	16	18	2,097	6,672	588	320	7,580

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

18. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities and Vans			
	Aus-tralia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
	Proportion per cent.				Number	Proportion per cent.			
Year : 1938-39	...	39.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1946-47	...	53.2	46.8	...	7,998	19.3	80.7	...	5,487
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	18.3	81.7	...	9,079
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1949 : May	8.3	78.4	11.7	1.6	2,950	66.0	34.0	...	1,126
June	9.2	76.2	13.6	1.0	2,336	70.9	29.1	...	1,115
July	3.9	83.1	11.7	1.3	1,911	63.5	36.5	...	1,013
1950 : May	13.0	77.1	5.9	4.0	5,763	79.6	20.0	0.4	2,473
June	11.5	75.3	8.0	5.2	5,020	77.5	21.8	0.7	2,298
July	15.5	69.5	9.6	5.4	4,541	76.5	22.9	0.5	2,097

19. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1950 Dates)	1942	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Thousand tons								
1st†	Jan. 28	731	640	519	859	539	513	714
2nd	Feb. 25	933	867	860	796	918	954	952
3rd	Mar. 25	981	893	913	833	869	929	932
4th	Apr. 22	886	755	859	804	964	908	925
5th	May 20	1,003	791	674	773	878	970	1,013
6th	June 17	965	914	906	990	883	926	1,038
7th	July 15	918	846	798	992	941	225	923
8th	Aug. 12	953	914	846	995	984	109	961
9th	Sept. 9	1,028	778	911	994	1,061	1,117	1,144p
10th	Oct. 7	984	842	975	979	1,024	1,100	
11th	Nov. 4	973	759	1,017	1,092	696	1,108	
12th	Dec. 2	965	869	976	1,130	1,134	1,182	
13th†	Dec. 30	886	308	932	446	830	695	
Year : Underground		12,150	9,653	10,430	10,724	10,466	9,388	
Open Cut ...		56	523	756	959	1,255	1,348	
Total ...		12,206	10,176	11,186	11,683	11,721	10,736	

Thirty-six weeks ended—

	5th Sept.	1st Sept.	31st Aug.	13th Sept.	11th Sept.	10th Sept.	9th Sept.
Northern District ...	5,688	4,844	4,946	5,420	5,242	4,271	5,592
Southern District*	1,580	1,402	1,193	1,311	1,407	1,157	1,584
Western District ...	1,130	1,152	1,147	1,305	1,388	1,223	1,426
Total : Underground	n.a.	7,056	6,829	7,385	7,163	5,788	7,568
Open Cut ...	n.a.	342	457	651	874	863	1,034
Total ...	8,398	7,398	7,286	8,036	8,037	6,651	8,602p

* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts from 1942 to 1947.

Miners' mid-summer holidays :	1942.	1945.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.
In 1st Period ...	... Public holidays	1 week	2 weeks	...	1 week	2 weeks	{N-1 wk. S&W-2 wks.
In 13th Period ...	... only.	...	...	2 weeks	1 week	{N-2 wks. S&W-1 wk.	

20. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
January	100	125	173	165	170	198	218	221
February	100	125	174	181	201	208	227	241
March	100	130	171	185	199	212	231	238
April	100	125	172	189	198	218	222	226
May	100	128	178	192	198	203	229	237
June	100	131	176	197	208	214	189	232
July	100	134	184	195	212	199	118	214
August	100	135	177	195	212	214	173	
September	100	134	180	201	214	223	228	
October	100	135	174	203	211	216	224	
November	100	136	179	200	214	226	239	
December	100	131	173	180	214	222	231	
Year	100	131	172	191	204	213	209	

MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1948-49 are final. Figures for July, 1949, and later months are subject to revision.

21. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
	Thousand lb.						
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1946-47	60,385	4,544	38,302	35,310	51,936	27,408	25,958
1947-48	76,066	5,909	46,475	31,614	58,978	30,556	25,480
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	32,104	29,676	24,480
1949-50p	82,469	6,287	49,030	27,542	32,677	30,661	35,535
1949: April	6,781	488	3,973	2,330	1,759	733	3,922
May	4,551	313	2,224	2,506	2,506	633	1,935
June	3,430	232	2,198	2,384	1,263	234	1,352
July	2,888	245	1,803	2,214	627	n.a.	1,557
1950: April	6,270	443	2,903	2,188	2,503	942	1,895
May	4,947	306	2,193	1,984	3,265	726	962
June	3,309	194	1,563	1,997	2,429	283	1,033
July	2,737	147	1,240	2,012	2,258	248	1,415

Period	Flour	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Malt	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Bushels	Thous. lb.
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	82,706	n.a.	640,915	43,611
1946-47	537,389	98,231	124,334	152,515	158,589	608,650	47,512
1947-48	532,460	97,375	119,840	163,130	138,203	656,696	48,068
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	168,448	153,853	633,741	53,299
1949-50p	579,458	98,608	132,893	161,710	148,107	616,749	61,558
1949: April	41,831	7,454	9,889	19,867	13,081	52,106	5,061
May	47,427	8,214	11,432	22,794	14,087	62,515	5,220
June	50,458	8,717	12,084	21,465	14,835	58,333	3,510
July	39,785	6,835	9,582	17,766	2,168	55,576	288
1950: April	38,928	6,660	8,642	18,229	11,575	54,157	4,855
May	57,540	9,508	12,127	26,165	16,569	58,513	6,192
June	53,137	8,462	11,241	21,270	10,831	40,273	6,111
July	57,382	9,386	12,789	18,238	16,692	52,710	5,013

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer	
	Table	Other		Chocolate	Other		
	Thousand lb.			Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year :	1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988	26,811	33,839
	1946-47	9,206	21,570	5,278	28,460	35,169	50,654
	1947-48	5,177	27,938	5,852	27,799	34,896	45,626
	1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	30,612	33,078	54,104
	1949-50p	9,800	38,143	7,350	30,178	33,563	54,375
1949:	April	1,210	2,601	492	2,420	2,480	3,567
	May	1,384	2,886	449	3,290	3,100	4,965
	June	1,015	2,904	329	2,720	2,345	3,680
	July	321	1,614	345	1,070	1,459	350
1950:	April	313	3,038	504	3,068	2,234	4,589
	May	341	3,733	476	1,512	3,295	5,467
	June	257	3,773	288	2,923	2,875	5,110
	July	308	3,369	313	3,505	2,728	5,239

* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

22. Production of Metals, Coal, and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz.	Thousand tons				Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year : 1938-39	88,488	11,196*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1946-47	43,607	11,212	1,184†	926†	1,312†	16,744	3,229
1947-48	50,599	11,780	1,366†	1,030†	1,343†	18,093	3,546
1948-49	63,768	11,736	1,130	897	1,129	18,151	3,717
1949-50p	51,940	11,290	1,221	1,001	1,246	18,031	3,756
1949 : April	3,808	929	84	77	91	1,536	299
May	7,169	1,127	109	90	113	1,730	336
June	6,575	776	70	69	70	1,408	294
July	711	5	12	16	...	1,036	180
1950 : April	1,374	910	104	85	104	1,535	321
May	6,136	1,246	116	87	112	1,746	371
June	4,323	977	127	100	122	1,702	380
July	n.y.a.	1,042	122	88	104	1,607	385

* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

23. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies		Cycles	
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.	Trucks, Trailers and Vans	Other		
Number								
Year :	1938-39	977	1,214	26,671*		3,553	2,023	36,416
	1946-47	2,803	8,943	82,382*		2,071	774	30,259
	1947-48	2,839	11,165	80,465*	25,533*	2,384	988	28,567
	1948-49	2,343	16,666	184,290	32,338	3,391	1,145	27,605
	1949-50p	2,156	16,892	278,815r	28,640r	3,618	1,110	27,939
1949 :	April	195	1,599	11,047	3,098	242	72	2,032
	May	206	1,563	12,136	2,724	314	103	2,552
	June	158	1,420	9,435	2,252	304	89	1,812
	July	131	512	3,858	332	188	39	1,612
1950 :	April	153	1,412	23,127r	2,419r	282	99	1,869
	May	168	1,810	29,850r	3,584r	307	133	2,785
	June	182	1,669	29,328r	2,852r	360	89	2,306
	July	156	1,728	26,033	2,791	377	74	2,518

* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

24. Production of Clothing

Period	Hats (Felt)	Corsets and Corselets	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers
				Dress	Work*		
	Dozen			Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs	
Year : 1938-39	135,262	46,112	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
1946-47	142,781	37,287	87,564	16,562	119,560	7,201	3,041
1947-48	140,662	44,285	84,945	13,866	104,793	6,250	3,143
1948-49	147,498	46,521	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
1949-50p	113,486	41,950	161,056	7,280	104,622	5,561	2,665
1949 : April	12,123	3,758	9,338	651	6,846	389	241
May	15,393	3,762	11,159	726	8,769	486	268
June	7,287	3,725	10,464	526	6,239	394	282
July	734	1,724	8,213	480	4,868	275	161
1950 : April	9,825	3,311	13,140	545	7,333	422	217
May	13,444	4,506	18,420	927	11,998	565	238
June	9,386	4,236	15,455	815	9,582	526	165
July	6,916	3,411	13,880	914	10,247	500	221

* Excluding articles of rubber.

Period	Sawn Timber (Native)	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.	Thousands		Thousand sq. yd.		Tons	
Year :							
1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1946-47	300.9	249,533	19,523	230	9,657	3,397	393,397
1947-48	332.6	303,221	21,594	2,841	9,018	3,985	441,023
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,642	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50p	340.5	293,356	21,615	8,364r	8,922	4,161	563,267
1949 :							
April	26.0	24,089	1,744	424	674	383	38,152
May	25.5	29,764	1,983	516	800	434	54,389
June	31.3	22,867	1,614	369	518	361	38,230
July	32.9	4,621	631	142	...	183	n.a.
1950 :							
April	25.7	24,081	1,653	835	832	359	48,497
May	28.0	31,873	2,151	908	966	440	65,656
June	24.2	23,579	1,496	784	805	393	56,784
July	34.5	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	837	n.y.a.	53,239

Period	Paint (Ready-Mixed)	Lacquers, Enamels, etc.	Stoves, Domestic Cooking				Gas Meters
			Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric		
					Stoves	Stovettes	
	Thousand gal.		Number				
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930		24,619
1946-47	1,568	1,138	12,033	12,883	31,221		32,675
1947-48	1,762	1,404	11,748	14,627	8,942	27,912	43,552
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	24,903	44,249
1949-50p	1,863	1,843	10,798	20,071	12,665	23,128	39,870
1949 : April	139	116	980	1,754	2,371	n.a.	3,874
May	150	144	1,150	1,860	1,807	n.a.	3,890
June	128	115	731	1,262	1,235	n.a.	2,832
July	66	78	240	60	137	710	1,890
1950 : April	147	155	777	1,594	878	2,117	3,205
May	156	195	1,289	2,086	1,450	2,310	4,392
June	147	183	862	1,838	1,302	1,971	3,422
July	124	113	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	1,861	n.y.a.

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26. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators, Household			Wireless Cabinets	Perambulators
	Electric	Gas	Kerosene		
	Number				
Year : 1938-39	.....	13,102	.....	133,760	42,282
1946-47	21,567	12,598	6,810	196,978	48,859
1947-48	31,772	25,591	9,195	213,226	56,201
1948-49	50,995	21,924	11,313	180,023	45,754
1949-50p	53,956	11,919	17,539	217,155	43,363
1949 : April	4,365	902	1,261	12,952	5,080
May	4,207	1,126	2,560	20,383	5,340
June	2,413	466	1,340	13,031	2,513
July	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1,184	1,750
1950 : April	3,568	229	1,578	18,030	3,266
May	4,797	1,717	1,065	24,032	4,619
June	4,561	440	1,446	23,370	2,838
July	4,080	n.a.	1,871	25,939	2,817

Period	Mattresses			Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
	Spring	Inner Spring	Other		
	Number					Tons
Year : 1938-39	79,140	17,407	n.a.	20,960	85,501
1946-47	59,782	36,296	129,937	22,377	113,572
1947-48	59,491	52,582	181,078	24,611	111,101
1948-49	55,590	85,574	166,699	28,780	94,542
1949-50p	74,401	103,414r	191,917	33,041	88,264
1949 : April	4,203	7,304	13,512	2,099	7,814
May	5,420	9,459	16,161	3,126	8,586
June	4,758	7,133	13,618	1,834	6,147
July	3,982	3,544	9,017	n.a.	n.a.
1950 : April	4,955	9,370	15,117	2,806	8,631
May	8,721	10,639	18,708	3,279	8,581
June	5,277	8,020r	15,549	4,578	10,216
July	4,710	8,668	12,736	2,799	8,572

Period	Soap			Soap Extracts and Powders	Glycerine (Refined)
	Household	Toilet	Other		
	Cwt.				
Year : 1938-39	321,957	107,390	58,345	60,102	18,964
1946-47	161,822	188,232	79,311	196,457	21,928
1947-48	217,042	224,716	114,345	279,658	20,019
1948-49	234,127	219,348	159,753	340,955	35,189
1949-50p	213,686	240,526	130,156	419,026	34,110
1949 : April	17,474	12,513	13,000	32,394	3,059
May	16,034	15,426	16,000	39,988	3,058
June	16,968	17,653	13,000	32,482	2,706
July	15,573	7,769	6,753	n.a.	n.a.
1950 : April	15,305	18,331	11,163	31,451	2,806
May	19,763	24,816	12,027	39,507	3,985
June	20,355	26,885	10,438	48,998	4,431
July	20,073	15,589	8,173	37,337	3,653

27. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1949: July	63	62	104	62	76	51	65	111	92	85	143	61	97
August	91	68	25	24	56	108	67	23	46	189	202	48	174
September	256	191	104	168	179	272	187	106	148	76	208	157	120
October	277	197	242	283	243	246	176	258	235	235	117	97	187
November	153	129	195	104	155	162	153	192	178	82	114	232	109
December	42	57	55	21	48	41	69	53	56	48	62	51	52
1950: January	101	193	115	85	130	59	174	110	120	70	126	167	97
February	220	346	337	361	309	218	343	361	339	220	210	284	226
March	70	286	437	371	283	50	286	445	354	85	56	340	110
April	236	252	141	168	202	302	238	121	174	138	145	285	159
May	101	113	118	117	112	117	122	107	112	36	101	209	75
June	276	217	89	161	186	235	224	90	143	477	561	306	476
July	365	248	143	307	253	325	230	143	188	476	304	210	398
August	71	121	84	42	86	72	132	79	92	207	205	104	193

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

WOOL

28. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1941-42	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50
Sheep ... mill.	48.9	56.7	44.1	43.1	46.1	50.4	53.3
Sheep shorn ... mill.	51.5	58.5	45.4	43.1	43.7	48.1	53.6
Wool produced* mill. lb.	437.1	547.0	431.5	432.6	422.3	463.2	515.0

* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

29. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales

(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season: 1946-47	922.8	158.2	42.7	1,123.7	34.5	4.6	0.3	39.4
1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1949: May	49.6	11.8	0.5	61.9	203.4	26.1	7.1	236.6
June	38.1	3.7	1.1	42.9	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
July	50.7	11.8	0.2	62.7	122.2	14.1	0.7	137.0
August	154.9	35.0	1.1	191.0	219.5	48.3	1.7	269.5
1950: May	82.0	10.2	1.0	93.2	54.3	7.6	...	61.9
June	52.5	1.4	0.1	54.0	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
July	32.4	1.4	0.1	33.9	36.8	2.7	0.2	39.7
August	98.7	12.6	1.9	113.2	76.0	15.4	2.0	93.4

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30. Wool : Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period	Wool Sold					Amount Realised			
	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
Thousand bales *					£ thousand				
Season : 1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1946-47	889.8	154.1	42.4	1,014.0	72.3	26,906	4,551	1,453	32,910
1947-48	882.2	148.6	47.0	994.8	83.0	42,881	7,556	2,535	52,972
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1949-50	1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714
1949 : May	116.4	...	6.0	117.3	5.1	6,290	...	335	6,625
June	164.2	26.6	7.7	191.3	7.2	8,549	1,157	392	10,098
July	2.7	0.1	...	0.1	2.7	133	9	...	142
August	56.5	...	...	50.4	6.1	3,131	...	...	3,131
1950 : May	85.4	12.0	6.0	94.0	9.4	7,632	959	570	9,161
June	94.8	7.0	...	94.1	7.7	8,466	595	...	9,061
July	7.0	...	...	0.1	6.9	561	...	...	561
August	59.5	...	...	46.7	12.8	8,047	...	...	8,047

* Scoured bales not converted to greasy basis.

31. Prices of Greasy Wool, Sydney and New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction		Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month		
	Sydney	New South Wales *		1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
	Pence per lb.			Pence per lb.		
1938-39	10.3	†	July	46.5s	45.0s	80.0s
1939-40†	13.4	†	August	46.5s	46.0s	117.0p
1945-46†	15.1	†	September	47.0	45.0	
1946-47	23.3	23.6	December	53.0	60.5	
1947-48	37.2	37.9	March	54.5s	69.5	
1948-49	46.1	46.8	June	45.0	80.0p	
1949-50	60.7	61.8				

* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Prior to 1939-45 War, nearly all New South Wales wool was sold in Sydney. § Nominal.

32. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1935-36 to 1944-45*	15,875†	4,194,269	3,832,414	48,480,000	12.7
1945-46	n.a.	4,213,431	3,773,901	62,520,000	16.6
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	n.y.a.	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4

* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

Returns collected from wheat-growers in March to June, 1950, indicate that the area sown with wheat (for all purposes) in the 1950-51 season will be 3,810,000 acres.

33. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period*	Australian Wheat Board		Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers‡	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat ; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
	Export Price†||	Home Consumption Price‡||		For Commercial Export
				(Can.) Cents per bushel
s. d. per bushel				
Season : 1938-39	2 6.1	2 5.9	2 2.8	62.0
1946-47	14 1	3 11.3	10 3.8	244.0
1947-48	19 4.7	6 0.3	11 10.3	287.9
1948-49	15 8.2	6 8	9 2.0p	226.3
1949-50	18 5.8	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	218.6
1950 : January	19 0	6 8		214.2
February	19 0	6 8		216.2
March	19 0	6 8		222.9
April	19 0	6 8		222.5
May	19 0	6 8		213.9
June	18 6.8	6 8		206.2
July	18 6	6 8		206.1
August	18 6	6 8		203.6

* Yearly averages are for years ended July for Australian export and Canadian wheats, and for years ended November for Australian home consumption wheat. † Basic export selling price for non-contract wheat and wheat in excess of International Wheat Agreement quota; much wheat is sold under contract at fixed prices for delivery over lengthy periods. Current maximum and minimum prices under International Agreement are 16s. 1d. and 13s. 5d. per bushel. ‡ To millers, bulk basis, f.o.r. ports. § Allowing for cost of bags and including Governmental assistance to wheat growers. || For Australian wheat the bases are—Export : 1938-39, weighted average shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide; 1946-47 to 1948-49, average for bulk and bagged wheat f.o.r. ports; 1949-50, f.a.q. bulk wheat f.o.b.; Home Consumption : wholesale price in Sydney for f.a.q. wheat.

34. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period.	Year	Feb.	March	April	May	June
	Thousand gallons.					
1934-35 to 1938-39*	331,963	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1939-40 to 1943-44*	300,682	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	254,094	26,173	28,421	22,606	19,393	17,738
1947-48	295,371	31,080	28,957	23,804	19,905	15,896
1948-49	291,915r	29,437r	31,143r	25,560r	19,874r	16,787
1949-50p	307,115	29,468r	31,397r	23,807r	20,448r	16,007

* Annual average.

35. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer†	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
	s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.	
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1949 : June	2 7.3	1 11.1
1945-46	1 7.8	1 5.9	1 8.3	July	2 9.6	1 11.1
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	August	2 9.6	1 11.1
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	1950 : June	2 9.6	1 11.1
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	July	2 9.6p	1 11.1
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5p	August	2 9.6p	1 11.1

* United Kingdom contract price, f.o.b., Australia, except 1938-39, which is Sydney parity of average top price, London, weighted by monthly New South Wales exports. † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

36. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia			Gold Production
	Merchandise						
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	
	£A million f.o.b.						
Year: 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3	14.6
1946-47	93.0	116.5	23.5	208.3	308.9	100.6	9.9
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9	9.7
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0	10.1
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.0	615.4	79.4	12.5
1949: April	14.6	9.0	(—) 5.6	33.1	37.6	4.5	0.8
May	15.9	23.0	7.1	38.6	55.8	17.2	0.8
June	15.2	15.8	0.6	36.5	43.6	7.1	1.1
July	15.9	15.2	(—) 0.7	35.1	37.0	1.9	0.7
1950: April	15.7	16.2	0.5	43.9	50.2	6.3	0.9
May	25.8	27.4	1.6	61.7	78.6	16.9	1.0
June	19.8	14.3	(—) 5.5	48.1	47.7	(—) 0.4	1.5
July	21.1	15.9	(—) 5.2	50.6	49.0	(—) 1.6	n.y.a.

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

37. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

Sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1939-40	1944-45	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50
	£ million						
November	17.5	20.3	39.1	24.7	32.7	39.4	40.1
December	18.3	22.8		27.8	34.2	35.1	51.4
January	16.3	18.6	17.6	21.7	25.2	32.2	39.4
February	14.6	21.5	21.7	26.3	30.3	39.6	49.1
March	17.0	21.7	22.3	24.2	33.2	35.7	42.3
April	17.9	20.8	26.9	27.3	33.8	39.9	55.8
May	14.8	22.2	25.2	30.3	35.6	42.3	54.6
Jun	17.1	19.4	23.6	28.0	34.7	37.0	47.4
Year ended June	204.3	255.4	264.8	320.3	382.5	452.8	537.8

38. Retail Trade : Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number						Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.	
Year : 1946	301	302	+ 32.2	+ 3.8	+ 28.0	+ 20.0		
1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1949 : Feb.	24	24	+ 16.1	+ 7.7	+ 18.7	+ 2.9	+ 14.7	+ 21.0
March	24	27	+ 21.1	+ 7.2	+ 17.8	+ 2.0	+ 16.9	+ 19.3
April	25	22	+ 1.4	+ 6.1	+ 17.7	+ 1.5	+ 12.1	+ 18.1
May	26	26	+ 15.2	+ 5.7	+ 18.4	+ 3.3	+ 12.3	+ 18.0
June	25	25	+ 2.4	+ 7.8	+ 19.0	+ 1.8	+ 6.2	+ 18.4
July*	27	26	— 16.3	+ 8.6	+ 3.3	— 1.1	+ 0.9	+ 13.4
1950 : Feb.	24	24	+ 12.6	+ 0.8	+ 5.6	— 2.3	+ 9.2	+ 7.7
March	27	27	+ 8.0	+ 6.2	+ 6.2	— 3.2	+ 9.1	+ 5.8
April	22	22	— 0.3	+ 8.3	+ 3.5	— 3.1	+ 6.2	+ 5.1
May	26	27	+ 14.7	+ 5.8	+ 8.9	— 2.4	+ 7.6	+ 6.2
June	25	25	+ 15.0	+ 3.3	+ 8.9	— 0.8	+ 9.6	+ 7.1
July*	26	26	+ 31.1	+ 1.6	+ 17.8	+ 2.9	+ 19.1	+ 11.7

Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 4.

* Percentage movements are affected by an industrial dislocation in July, 1949.

BANKING

Of the 18 trading banks which conduct business in Australia, 14 operate in New South Wales, comprising 9 private trading banks, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 overseas banks.

39. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits*	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted*
£ million							
NINE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1948 : June	716.8	27.5†	45.6	19.1	59.5	293.0	348.8
1949 : May	826.2	44.9	45.6	12.7	63.4	389.1	375.1
June	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
July*	792.6	46.4	42.4	11.0	69.3	341.1	392.0
1950 : May	1,001.6	53.9	47.9	24.4	96.5	466.2	414.1
June	1,004.9	45.8	51.1	20.2	96.5	442.8	427.2
July	997.8	37.3	49.5	22.9	98.6	430.1	440.5
COMMONWEALTH BANK (OTHER THAN CENTRAL BANKING)							
1947 : June	59.4	0.3	6.4	2.1	35.7	...	28.9
1948 : June	61.8	0.3	7.0	0.8	33.6	...	37.9
1949 : May	69.4	10.2	5.6	...	37.2	...	56.5
June	69.9	11.0	5.9	...	34.4	...	57.7
July	75.1	12.4	13.9	...	32.2	...	61.3
1950 : May	87.4	15.6	5.3	6.5	34.3	...	104.0
June	87.8	15.9	4.9	6.5	29.8	...	95.7
July	89.0	16.3	5.9	6.5	26.8	...	94.3
ALL (18) TRADING BANKS							
1947 : June	723.5	3.0	43.1	17.2	127.9	277.2	352.1
1948 : June	800.0	28.6	56.5	21.0	106.4	294.0	424.6
1949 : May	923.8	55.3	54.6	14.6	115.9	390.6	473.1
June	914.8	61.0	49.1	12.2	111.5	382.8	482.9
July*	894.2	58.9	59.6	11.0	115.3	342.7	496.3
1950 : May	1,129.0	69.7	57.6	32.7	145.1	471.2	567.2
June	1,131.9	62.0	59.4	27.9	139.0	447.8	574.2
July	1,124.0	53.8	58.3	30.4	136.6	434.3	588.9

* Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £9,000,000 in January and £2,600,000 in July, 1949).

† In nine trading banks, the increase after June, 1947, consists mainly of short-term loans from Central Bank.

40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Average of Weekly Figures								
Month	Nine Trading Banks				Commonwealth Bank*		All (14) Banks	
	Deposits†			Advances†	Deposits	Advances	Deposits†	Advances†
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
	£ million							
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948 : June	197.5	67.9	265.4	142.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1949 : May	233.7	72.8	306.5	146.4	40.6	26.3	364.0	203.3
June	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.5	27.0	358.5	208.6
July†	221.3	72.1	293.4	153.7	39.4	28.2	349.1	214.1
1950 : May	307.3	81.6	388.9	155.9	49.5	36.7	466.3	229.2
June	311.8	82.2	394.0	166.2	49.2	37.5	470.7	242.0
July	306.9	82.1	389.0	170.3	48.8	39.7	463.7	249.8

* Other than Central Banking.

† Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £5.8 m. in January, and £0.7 m. in July, 1949).

41. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
Year : 1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1945-46	1,911	191,112	3,801	156,874	236,242	5,467	663,554
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,219
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,208	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,087
1949 : April	2,057	14,717		14,547	240,452	5,847	699,644
May	2,065	14,475		14,459	240,468	5,869	701,515
June	2,072	14,354	3,882	14,221	244,483	5,890	714,219
July	2,083	15,868		14,286	246,065	5,920	719,617
1950 : April	2,120	16,183		15,292	253,523	6,053	744,714
May	2,129	17,692		17,561	253,654	6,076	746,064
June	2,138	17,789	4,013	16,582	258,874	6,105	762,087
July	2,156	18,206		17,037	260,043	6,150	763,887

* At end of period.

Savings Certificates.—The issue of savings certificates ceased on 31st January, 1949. The net amount outstanding in New South Wales at the end of July was £24,833,000 in 1949 and £22,141,000 in 1950.

42. Inter-Bank Clearings, Sydney

Value of cheques drawn on a bank other than the bank in which they were deposited

Period	Amount of Clearings—£ million					Index Number of Clearings				
	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
July	70.5	183.4	230.3	244.7	302.7	101	229	291	326	402
August	72.9	162.4	199.3	208.5	283.7	101	227	287	314	398
September	77.6	176.9	229.7	271.1		99	232	293	303	
October	79.5	197.3	238.2	259.2		101	234	291	302	
November	82.7	203.8	237.3	291.6		102	243	298	328	
December	88.1	192.2	246.5	304.9		102	243	296	350	
January	66.5	171.3	191.4	247.6		98	236	282	352	
February	75.5	182.0	213.2	282.1		96	231	274	351	
March	80.5	196.4	238.0	358.0		93	230	267	367	
April	70.7	205.9	244.7	272.9		98	253	300	391	
May	82.0	233.1	261.2	324.2		100	269	315	402	
June	80.3	230.1	269.8	332.3		101	289	336	402	
Year	926.8	2,334.8	2,799.6	3,397.1		99	248	298	356	

The index may be regarded as an approximate measure of changes in the volume of business transactions settled by cheques provided it is considered in conjunction with changes in price levels. It represents the ratio of each month's clearings to the average for the month concerned during the five years 1926-1930. This average is represented by 100 each month. Seasonal fluctuations have thus been eliminated. Casual fluctuations in monthly index numbers have been smoothed out by taking a three months' moving average, that is, the index shown above for each month is the average of the actual index of that month and the preceding two months. It may be compared vertically or horizontally.

43. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡			Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis-count)
	Urban	Rural	Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	Fixed Deposits		Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000	
					3 months	24 months				
Per cent. per annum										
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	5.75§	2.00	1.75¶	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50||	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1947-48	4.4	4.3	2.34	3.17	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949 : July	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950 : January	4.4	4.3	1.83	3.11	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
February	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.12	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
March	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.12	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
April	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
May	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
June	4.4	4.3	1.94	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
July	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75

* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. Estimated by Commonwealth Bank from securities maturing under 5 years (short) and 10 or more years (long). 1938-39 subject to Commonwealth Income Tax rates not exceeding those in 1930, later years to current tax rates. ‡ Rate current at end of period. § Applies to certain banks; later rates are maximum permitted by regulation. ¶ 1½ to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942. || From December, 1945, rate on first £10,000 of deposits 1.50 per cent., on excess 1 per cent.

44. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Dis- tributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	263.9	195.8	210.3
1948 : Sept.	359.6	316.0	173.1	184.5	414.6	264.2	276.1
Dec.	351.7	301.0	172.6	180.6	431.0	259.4	268.2
1949 : Mar.	345.1	288.3	165.2	180.6	464.1	254.6	262.2
June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
Aug.	332.2	286.3	155.9	184.0	464.9	247.8	255.0
Sept.	340.1	289.1	157.8	183.7	473.6	252.1	259.0
Dec.	365.6	295.3	158.1	193.1	497.3	265.9	273.7
1950 : Jan.	373.1	306.7	158.9	195.6	511.9	272.0	280.8
Feb.	378.1	310.8	159.7	200.3	533.0	277.5	282.6
Mar.	389.4	315.2	159.0	202.6	545.4	285.4	285.6
Apr.	397.8	317.6	157.8	210.8	568.9	292.6	294.3
May	399.1	319.1	155.4	219.0	574.7	293.4	297.1
June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
July	390.0	320.9	153.9	219.9	579.0	289.1	292.0
Aug.	402.0	323.8	158.5	234.9	595.7	296.9	303.3

* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

45. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages†
	Number	£ thousand				
Year : 1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1944-45	43,521	23,350	7,611	847	1,542	761
1947-48	79,694	60,202	30,924	460	2,100	2,011
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1949 : June	7,852	6,086	3,785	36	514	227
July	8,255	7,022	3,816	26	363	264
August	8,528	6,711	4,200	38	213	201
1950 : June	10,940	15,129	4,679	35	342	308
July	10,272	15,240	8,870	44	497	188
August	10,068	15,021	5,380	39	326	186

* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

46. Life Assurance, New South Wales

(a) New Policies Issued (exclusive of annuities)*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year† : 1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1945	53,927	23,999	109,862	7,513	31,512
1947	98,149	43,268	115,181	10,241	53,509
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949†	92,446	49,662	114,916	11,430	61,092
1949 : Jan-June	39,561	20,819	54,455	5,388	26,207
1950 : Jan-June	42,680	24,870	50,927	5,310	30,180
1949 : April	6,688	3,365	8,764	861	4,226
May	7,797	4,001	11,919	1,173	5,174
June	8,732	4,713	9,053	901	5,614
1950 : April	6,925	4,147	7,025	734	4,881
May	8,540	5,003	11,530	1,202	6,205
June	8,883	5,557	8,406	880	6,437

* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified).

† Total of monthly figures, January to December.

(b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year : 1947	2,799	789	1,452	5,040
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1949 : Jan-June	3,879	433	1,183	5,495
1950 : Jan-June	6,992	503	1,741	9,236
1949 : April	458	60	208	726
May	586	93	238	917
June	1,180	89	220	1,489
1950 : April	721	80	318	1,119
May	1,030	99	317	1,446
June	2,776	92	263	3,131

* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

47. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE			
Item	July-August		Item	July-August		
	1949	1950		1949	1950	
	£ thousand			£ thousand		
Taxes—			Social Services*—			
Customs	11,636	14,643	Invalid, Age Pensions	6,550	7,046	
Excise	9,184	11,521	Widows' Pensions	797	794	
Sales	6,441	7,423	Child Endowment	4,911	3,928	
Income Tax	34,941	33,439	Hospital Benefits	1,020	1,327	
Social Services Contribution	6,056	6,507	Unemployment, etc., Benefits	1,398	198	
Payroll	3,433	4,230	Other	610	818	
Estate	854	783				
Entertainments	835	763	Total, Social Services*	15,286	14,111	
Other	748	279	To States—			
Total Taxes	74,128	79,588	Tax Reimbursements	7,136	8,288	
Post Office	5,460	6,616	Other	4,257	4,846	
Broadcasting	407	404	Capital Works	4,898	13,710	
Railways	268	349	Post Office‡	6,863	8,098	
Territories	134	145	Broadcasting‡			386
Other	884	1,040	Railways ‡			332
	81,281	88,142	Territories‡	802	1,189	
Primary Production†	3,684	3,413	Defence Services	5,796	6,737	
			War and Repatriation—			
			Pensions	4,418	4,224	
			Other‡	2,752	4,624	
			Debt Charges	5,451	6,550	
			Other	6,393	6,819	
			Primary Production†	3,684	3,413	
Total Revenue	84,965	91,555	Total Expenditure	68,004	83,327	

* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Self-balancing items.

‡ Excluding debt charges.

Expenditure from Loan Fund (other than War and Repatriation which is included above) in the two months ended August, consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £2,730,000 in 1950, and £2,510,000 in 1949.

48. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July		Item	July	
	1949	1950		1949	1950
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
From Commonwealth—			Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ...	750	823
Towards Interest... ..	243	243	Less—Recoups from other Activities ... ..	.....	6
Reimbursement of Taxes	1,468	1,699	Net Debt Charges	750	817
Stamp and Probate Duty	599	910	Other than Debt Charges—		
Other Taxes... ..	515	581	Governmental	2,570	2,539
Land	113	174	Business Undertakings	3,308	3,659
Services	122	182			
Other	572	634			
Total Governmental	3,632	4,423	Total Expenditure	6,628	7,015
Business Undertakings	2,610	3,929			
Total Revenue	6,242	8,352			

Loan Expenditure on works and services during the month of July was gross £1,522,000 and net (i.e., gross less repayments to loan account) £1,410,000 in 1950, compared with gross £2,094,000 and net £2,011,000 in 1949.

49. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities constituting at present about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
§ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
§ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	793	656	1011	842	956	819	834
1945-46	1165	2130	1474	1956	1234	1477	1459
1947-48	2872	4195	1935	3723	1464	2955	2834
1948-49	3649	4134	2330	4781	1706	3481	3324
1949-50	4736	3985	2504	4212	1969	3995	3832
1949 : May	3356	3711	2330	4524	1757	3254	3112
June	3394	3650	2330	4486	1757	3257	3115
July	3394¶	3619	2504	3298	1862	3191	3055
1950 : May	6109	4346	2504	4561	2005	4771	4561
June	6034	4278	2504	4944	2005	4748	4541
July	6034¶	4279p	2504¶	4963	2005¶	4751p	4543p

* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, spelter, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) Including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold. ¶ Nominal.

50. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Australia on—	Quotation	1938-39	1946	1949	1950	
		Average	June	June	July	August
London ...	£A to £stg.100	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25
New Zealand ...	£A to £N.Z.100	100.33	100.25	124.27	124.27	124.27
South Africa ...	£A. to £S.A.100	124.70	124.88	124.88	124.88	124.88
Montreal ...	Can. \$ to £A.1	3.79	3.54	3.22	2.46	2.46
New York ...	U.S. \$ to £A.1	3.78	3.22	3.22	2.24	2.24
France ...	francs to £A.1	141.75	383.24	875.85	782.44	782.44
Belgium ...	francs to £A.1	111.58	141.02	141.02	111.78	111.78
India ...	rupees to £A.1	10.69	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.64

51. Wholesale Price Index : Basic Materials and Foodstuffs

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal, and one or two minor commodities, the index may be deemed to represent movements of wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	1025	815	970	992	1029	991	1020	1011
1945-46	1302	1518	1766	1490	1348	1782	1257	1412
1947-48	1460	2833	1898	1655	1532	1924	1448	1588
1948-49	1849	3419	1983	1884	1747	2008	1727	1809
1949-50	2144	4343	2247	2146	1937	2231	1949	2032
1949 : May	1966	3196	2017	1920	1809	2002	1801	1859
June	1966	3200	2021	1922	1805	1991	1803	1858
July	2090	3313	2021	1966	1865	2057	1850	1911
1950 : May	2189	5353	2440	2295	1977	2354	2025	2122
June	2191	5343	2446	2303	1997	2379	2037	2136
July	2220	5370	2446	2339	1988	2359	2060	2147

* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

52. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom		Canada	United States	France
	Common-wealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Economist	Dominion Statistician	Bureau of Labour and Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	1011	1021	1004	958	925	935	948	1117
1945-46	1412	1567	1585	1673	1610	1321	1325	5340
1947-48	1588	1730	1741	2032	2055	1797	1970	14514
1948-49	1809	1801	1859	2179	2184	1987	1990	20319
1948 : June	1667	1818	1829	2170	2172	1913	2042	18430
Dec.	1827	1784	1832	2157	2196	2010	1995	21482
1949 : June	1858	1793	1907	2266	2212	1969	1898	19749
Dec.	2043	1823	1936	2355	2344	1976	1858	21820
1950 : Jan.	2076	1820	1943	2389	2361	1979	1862	22485
Feb.	2110	1821	1956	2395	2387	1990	1876	22420
March	2110	1839	1957	2398	2346	2007	1876	22910
April	2127	1847	1966	2440	2417	2017	1879	22856
May	2122	n.y.a.	2008	2487	2497	2038	1916	22681

53. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and "All Items")

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "All Items"	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939 : September	930	1039	841	939	933	...
1943 : June*	1065	1042	1479	1162	1165	24.9
1945 : June	1040	1043	1410	1163	1141	22.3
1947 : June	1096	1044	1540	1187	1194	28.0
1948 : June	1235	1046	1748	1267	1305	39.9
1949 : March	1350	1048	1891	1334	1391	49.1
June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	52.7
September	1395	1049	2054	1385	1452	55.6
December	1421	1049	2161	1389	1486	59.3
1950 : March	1459	1049	2190	1435	1515	62.4
June	1518	1049	2307	1446	1564	67.6

(b) Districts of New South Wales ("All Items")

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns†
1939 : September	933	897	943	914	881	930
1943 : June*	1165	1126	1185	1140	1107	1162
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1948 : June	1305	1263	1364	1271	1263	1302
1949 : March	1391	1352	1461	1380	1358	1389
June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
September	1452	1413	1554	1434	1411	1451
December	1486	1449	1593	1467	1448	1485
1950 : March	1515	1473	1614	1495	1475	1513
June	1564	1519	1646	1555	1522	1562

* War-time peak.

† Weighted average.

54. Basic Wage : Industrial Awards, New South Wales

Quarter (commencing in month shown)	Adult Males				Adult Females*		
	Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong —Pt. Kembla	Broken Hill	Other Country Districts	Crown Employees (All Districts)	Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong —Pt. Kembla	Other Country Districts	Crown Employees (All Districts)
	s. per week				s. d. per week		
1939 : June	82	85	79	80	44 0	42 6	43 0
1945 : Aug.	98	103	95	97	53 0	51 6	52 6
1946 : Nov.	101	105	98	99	54 6	53 0	53 6
Dec.†	108	112	105	106	58 6	56 6	57 0
1947 : Aug.	110	114	107	109	59 6	58 0	59 0
1948 : Feb.	114	119	111	113	61 6	60 0	61 0
May	116	121	113	115	62 6	61 0	62 0
Aug.	120	125	117	118	65 0	63 0	63 6
Nov.	122	127	119	121	66 0	64 6	65 6
1949 : Feb.	124	129	121	123	67 0	65 6	66 6
May	127	133	124	126	68 6	67 0	68 0
Aug.	130	137	127	129	70 0	68 6	69 6
Nov.	132	141	129	131	71 6	69 6	70 6
1950 : Feb.	135	145	132	134	73 0	71 6	72 6
May	138	146	135	137	74 6	73 0	74 0
Aug.	142	149	139	141	76 6	75 0	76 0

* In State awards only.

† Special increase (males, 7s.) awarded in Interim Judgment of Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration.

55. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number		Adult Males	Adult Females
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†		
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1946 : Dec.	130.9	80.3	2554	2956	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3103	41.1	41.8
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3403	40.0	40.0
Sept.	155.4	95.1	3033	3501	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949 : Mar.	161.6	101.2	3154	3724	40.0	40.0
June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Sept.	169.1	105.8	3299	3896	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950 : Mar.	174.8	109.4	3410	4028	40.0	40.0
June p	179.3	114.3	3499	4207	40.0	40.0

* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.

† Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

‡ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.

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